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Sir:

Applicants' Attorney would like to make Examiner aware of Application Serial Nos. 10/441,941, 09/621,393, 10/441,924, 09/558,192 and 09/563,140 summarized in the table below. Application Serial Nos. 10/441,941, 10/441,924, 09/621,393, 09/552,131, and 09/558,192 share a common inventor. Application Serial Nos. 09/552,131, 09/558,192, and 09/563,140 share a common inventor. The IDS submitted herewith includes references from at least one of these pending applications.

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APPL. NO.	TITLE	STATUS OF INDEPENDENT CLAIMS
09/621,393	Theme-Based System and Method for Classifying Documents	Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed September 22, 2006.  Request for Continued Examination filed on December 22, 2006.
09/558,192	On-Line Invention Disclosure Approval System	Double patenting rejection issued against claims 1, 12, 16, 20, 27, and 33 over U.S. Pat. No. 7,069,592 (Porcari).  Provisional double patenting rejection issued against claims 1, 12, 16, 20, 27, and 33 over Application Serial Nos. 09/552,131 "On-Line Invention Disclosure System," and 09/563,140 "On-Line Invention Disclosure System and Docket System."  Claims 1, 20, and 27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pat. No. 5,315,504 (Lemble) in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,434,580 (Takano).  Claims 12, 16, and 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 5,315,504 (Lemble).
09/563,140	On-Line Invention Disclosure System and Docket System	Claims 2 and 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pat. No. 6,434,580 (Takano) in view of U.S. Pat. No. 5,276,869 (Forrest).
10/441,924	Method and System for Automated Messaging in an Online Legal Workflow Tool	Claims 1 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 6,944,659 (McDonald).

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APPL. NO.	TITLE	STATUS OF INDEPENDENT CLAIMS
10/441,941	Method and System for Role-Based Access Control to a Collaborative Online Legal Workflow Tool	Claims 1 and 14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2002/0161733 (Grainger).

Respectfully submitted,

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